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Subpart 2452.2—Texts of Provisions and Clauses

2452.203-70 Prohibition against use of government employees.

As prescribed in 2403.670, insert the following clause in all solicitations and contracts:

> PROHIBITION AGAINST THE USE OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES (FEB 2006)

In accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation 3.601, contracts are not to be awarded to government employees or a business concern or other organization owned or substantially owned or controlled by one or more government employees. For the purposes of this contract, this prohibition against the use of government employees includes any work performed by the contractor or any of its employees, subcontractors, or consultants.

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2438, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.208-71 Reproduction of reports.

As prescribed in 2437.110(b), insert the following clause in solicitations and contracts where the Contractor is required to produce, as an end product, publications or other written materials.

REPRODUCTION OF REPORTS (APR 1984)

In accordance with Title I of the Government Printing and Binding Regulations, printing of reports, data, or other written material, if required herein, is authorized provided that the material produced does not exceed 5,000 production units of any page and that items consisting of multiple pages do not exceed 25,000 production units in aggregate. The aggregate number of production units is determined by multiplying pages times copies. A production unit is one set, size 81/2 by 11 inches or less, printed on one side only and in one color. All copy preparation to produce camera ready copy for reproduction must be set by methods other than hot metal typesetting. The reports should be produced by methods employing stencils, masters, and plates which are to be used in

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single unit duplicating equipment no larger than 11 by 17 inches with a maximum image of 10¾ by 14¼ inches and are prepared by methods or devices that do not utilize reusable contact negatives and/or positives prepared with a camera requiring a darkroom. All reproducibles (camera ready copies for reproduction by photo offset methods) shall become the property of the Government and shall be delivered to the Government with the report, data, or other written materials.

(End of clause)

[53 FR 46538, Nov. 17, 1988. Redesignated at 71 FR 2440, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.209-70 Potential organizational conflicts of interest.

As prescribed in 2409.507–1, the Contracting Officer may insert a provision substantially the same as follows in solicitations:

POTENTIAL ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (FEB 2000)

- (a) The Contracting Officer has determined that the proposed contract contains a potential organizational conflict of interest. Offerors are directed to FAR subpart 9.5 for detailed information concerning organizational conflicts of interest.
- (b) The nature of the potential conflict of interest is [Contracting Officer insert description]:
- (c) Offerors shall provide a statement which describes concisely all relevant facts concerning any past, present or planned interest (financial, contractual, organizational, or otherwise) relating to the work to be performed under the proposed contract and bearing on whether the offeror has a possible organizational conflict of interest with respect to:
- (1) Being able to render impartial, technically sound, and objective assistance or advice, or
- (2) Being given an unfair competitive advantage. The offeror may also provide relevant facts that show how its organizational structure and/or management systems limit its knowledge of possible organizational conflicts of interest relating to other divisions or sections of the organization and how that structure or system would avoid or mitigate such organizational conflict.
- (d) No award shall be made until any potential conflict of interest has been neutralized or mitigated to the satisfaction of the Contracting Officer.
- (e) Refusal to provide the requested information or the willful misrepresentation of any relevant information by an offeror shall disqualify the offeror from further consider-

ation for award of a contract under this solicitation.

(f) If the Contracting Officer determines that a potential conflict can be avoided, effectively mitigated, or otherwise resolved through the inclusion of a special contract clause, the terms of the clause will be subject to negotiation.

(End of provision)

[65 FR 3577, Jan. 21, 2000]

2452.209-71 Limitation on future contracts.

As prescribed in 2409.507–2, the Contracting Officer may insert a clause substantially the same as follows in solicitations and contracts for services:

LIMITATION ON FUTURE CONTRACTS (FEB 2000)

- (a) The Contracting Officer has determined that this contract may give rise to potential organizational conflicts of interest as defined at FAR subpart 9.5.
- (b) The nature of the potential conflict of interest is [Contracting Officer insert description]
- (c) If the contractor, under the terms of this contract or through the performance of tasks pursuant to this contract, is required to develop specifications or statements of work that are to be incorporated into a solicitation, the contractor shall be ineligible to perform the work described in that solicitation as a prime or first-tier subcontractor under any ensuing HUD contract.
- (d) Other restrictions—[Contracting Officer insert description].
- (e) The restrictions imposed by this clause shall remain in effect until [Contracting Officer insert period or date].

(End of clause)

[65 FR 3577, Jan. 21, 2000]

2452.209-72 Organizational conflicts of interest.

As prescribed in 2409.508-2, insert the following contract clause in all contracts.

ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (APR 1984)

(a) The Contractor warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, he or she does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work under a Government contract and a Contractor's organizational, financial, contractual or other interests are such that:

- (1) Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage; or
- (2) The Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired.
- (b) The Contractor agrees that if after award he or she discovers an organizational conflict of interest with respect to this contract, he or she shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the Contracting Officer which shall include a description of the action which the Contractor has taken or intends to take to eliminate or neutralize the conflict.

The Government may, however, terminate the contract for the convenience of the Government if it would be in the best interest of the Government.

- (c) In the event the Contractor was aware of an organizational conflict of interest before the award of this contract and intentionally did not disclose the conflict to the Contracting Officer, the Government may terminate the contract for default.
- (d) The provisions of this clause shall be included in all subcontracts and consulting agreements wherein the work to be performed is similar to the service provided by the prime contractor. The Contractor shall include in such subcontracts and consulting agreements any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest.

(End of clause)

2452.211-70 Effective date and contract period.

As prescribed in 2411.404(a), insert the following clause:

EFFECTIVE DATE AND CONTRACT PERIOD (FEB 2006)

- (a) This contract shall be effective on____[Contracting Officer insert date at award].
- (b) The contractor shall complete all work including all deliveries by____[Contracting Officer insert date at award].
- (c) Delivery dates for specific services and deliverables shall be as set forth in the Schedule.

(End of clause)

Alternate I (FEB 2006). As prescribed in 2411.404(b), add the following paragraph (d):

(d) In accordance with the clause at 52.217-9, "Option to Extend the Term of the Contract," the contract may be extended for the following periods:

Option No.	Period
[list]	[dates].

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2438, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.215-70 Proposal Content.

As prescribed in 2415.209(a), insert a provision substantially the same as the following:

PROPOSAL CONTENT (FEB 2000)

- (a) Proposals shall be submitted in two parts as described in paragraphs (b) and (c) below. Each of the parts must be complete in itself so that evaluation of each part may be conducted independently, and so that the technical and management part may be evaluated strictly on its own merit. Proposals shall be submitted in the format, if any, prescribed elsewhere in this solicitation. Proposals shall be enclosed in sealed packaging and addressed to the office specified in the solicitation. The offeror's name and address, the solicitation number and the date and time specified in the solicitation for proposal submission must appear in writing on the outside of the package.
- (b) Proposals shall be submitted in original and [insert number] copies of Part I and [insert number] copies of Part II.
 - (c) Part I—Technical and Management.
- (1) Prior experience. The offeror shall provide evidence of the offeror's (i.e., firm's or organization's) prior and current experience in performing the work and/or providing the deliverables required by the solicitation.
- (2) Past Performance. The offeror shall provide evidence of the offeror's past performance in accomplishing work—including meeting delivery dates and schedules—the same as, or substantially similar to, that required by the solicitation. The offeror shall provide references as follows [Contracting Officer insert specific instruction for reference check information required].
- (3) Personnel qualifications. The offeror shall provide the names, position descriptions and information to support the qualifications—including relevant experience, specialized training and education—of all proposed key personnel (see the clause entitled "Key Personnel" in this solicitation for further definition). The term "personnel" shall include any proposed consultants and subcontractor employees who will perform duties of key personnel.
- (4) Management capability. The offeror shall provide evidence of his/her organization's ability to manage the work required under the proposed contract. The offeror shall describe how the work will be organized, the proposed staffing and the responsibilities and existing commitments of proposed staff.
- (5) Technical capability. The offeror shall provide a detailed description of how he/she

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proposes to conduct the work required under the proposed contract.

- (6) Mandatory minimum requirements. The offeror shall provide evidence, including copies of documents, as appropriate of [contracting officer insert description of requirement(s), e.g., licenses, minimum experience, etc., or delete this paragraph if not applicable.]
 - (d) Part II—Business Proposal.
- (1) The Offeror shall complete the Representations and Certifications provided in Section K of this solicitation and include them in this Part II.
- (2) The offeror shall provide information to support the offeror's proposed costs or prices as prescribed elsewhere in this Section L.

(End of provision)

Alternate I (OCT 1999). As prescribed in 2415.209(a), if the award selection will be made through the lowest-priced technically acceptable proposal method, substitute paragraph (c) with the following:

- (c) Part I—Technical and Management Information.
- (1) Prior experience. The offeror shall provide evidence that the offeror's (i.e., firm's or organization's) prior experience meets the following minimum standards: [contracting officer insert specific experience requirements].
- (2) Past performance. The offeror shall provide evidence of the offeror's past performance as follows: [contracting officer insert specific performance requirements]. The offeror shall provide references as follows [contracting Officer insert specific instruction for reference check information required].
- (3) Personnel qualifications. The offeror shall provide the names, position descriptions and evidence that proposed key personnel (see the clause entitled "Key Personnel" elsewhere in this solicitation for definition) meet the minimum qualifications described below. The term "personnel" includes any proposed consultants and subcontractor employees who will perform duties of key personnel. The minimum qualifications are: [contracting officer insert descriptions]
- (4) Management capability. The offeror shall provide evidence of his/her organization's ability to manage the work required under the proposed contract. The offeror shall describe how the work will be organized, the proposed staffing and the responsibilities and existing commitments of proposed staff.

(End of provision)

Alternate II (OCT 1999). As prescribed in 2415.209(a), if the proposed contract requires work on, or access to, sensitive automated systems as described

in 2452.239-70, add the following subparagraph, numbered sequentially, to paragraph (c):

The offeror shall describe in detail how the offeror will maintain the security of automated systems as required by clause at 48 CFR 2452.239-70 in Section I of this solicitation.

(End of provision)

[61 FR 19472, May 1, 1996, as amended at 64 FR 46098, Aug. 23, 1999; 65 FR 3573, Jan. 21, 20001

2452.216-70 Estimated cost, base fee and award fee.

As prescribed in 2416.406(e)(1), insert the following clause in all cost-plus-award-fee contracts:

ESTIMATED COST, BASE FEE AND AWARD FEE (FEB 2006)

- (a) The estimated cost of this contract is $[insert\ amount]$.
- (b) A base fee is payable in the amount of \$[insert amount]\$. The government will make payment of the base fee in [insert number] increments on the schedule set forth in the Performance Evaluation Plan established by the government. The amount payable shall be based on the progress toward completion of contract tasks as determined by the Contracting Officer. Payment of the base fee is subject to any withholdings as provided for elsewhere in this contract.
- (c) A maximum award fee available for payment is \$[insert amount]. The government shall make payments of the award fee in accordance with the schedule established in the Performance Evaluation Plan and the Evaluation Period(s) set forth in the Distribution of Award Fee clause.

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2438, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.216-71 Award fee.

As prescribed in 2416.406(e)(2), insert the following clause in all fixed-price-award-fee contracts:

AWARD FEE (FEB 2006)

In addition to the fixed-price for this contract set forth in the Schedule, a maximum award fee of \$[insert amount] is available for payment. The government shall make payments of the award fee in accordance with the schedule established in the Performance Evaluation Plan and the Evaluation Period(s) set forth in the Distribution of Award Fee clause.

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2438, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.216-72 Determination of award fee earned.

As prescribed in 2416.406(e)(3), insert the following clause in all award fee contracts:

DETERMINATION OF AWARD FEE EARNED (FEB 2006)

(a) At the conclusion of each evaluation period specified in the Performance Evaluation Plan, the government shall evaluate the contractor's performance and determine the amount, if any, of award fee earned by the contractor. The amount of award fee to be paid will be determined by the designated Fee Determination Official's (FDO's) judgmental evaluation in accordance with the criteria set forth in the Performance Evaluation Plan. This decision will be made unilaterally by the government. In reaching this decision, the FDO may consider any justification of award fee the contractor submits, provided that the justification is submitted within [insert number] days after the end of an evaluation period. The FDO determination shall be in writing, shall set forth the basis of the FDO's decision, and shall be sent to the contractor within [insert number] days after the end of the evaluation period.

(b) The FDO may specify in any fee determination that any amount of fee not earned during the evaluation period may be accumulated and allocated for award during a later evaluation period. The Distribution of Award Fee clause shall be amended to reflect the allocation.

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2438, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.216-73 Performance evaluation plan.

As prescribed in 2416.406(e)(3), insert the following clause in all award fee contracts:

PERFORMANCE EVALUATION PLAN (AUG 1987)

(a) The Government shall unilaterally establish a Performance Evaluation Plan that will provide the basis for the determination of the amount of award fee awarded under the contract. The Plan shall set forth evaluation criteria and percentage of award fee available for (1) technical functions, including schedule requirements if appropriate, (2) management functions; and, (3) cost functions. The Government shall furnish a copy of the Plan to the Contractor (insert number)

days before the start of the first evaluation period.

(b) The Government may unilaterally change the award fee plan prior to the beginning of subsequent evaluation periods. The Contracting Officer will provide such changes in writing to the Contractor prior to the beginning of the applicable evaluation period.

(End of clause)

[53 FR 46538, Nov. 17, 1988, as amended at 64 FR 46098, Aug. 23, 1999; 71 FR 2438, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.216-74 Distribution of award fee.

As prescribed in 2416.406(e)(3), insert the following clause in all award fee contracts:

DISTRIBUTION OF AWARD FEE (FEB 2006)

(a) The total amount of award fee available under this contract is assigned to the following evaluation periods in the following amounts:

Available Award Fee: [insert dollar amount]

(b) In the event of contract termination, either in whole or in part, the amount of award fee available shall represent a prorata distribution associated with evaluation period activities or events as determined by the Fee Determination Official as designated in the contract.

(End of clause)

Alternate I (FEB 2006). As prescribed in 2416.406(e)(3), add paragraph (c):

- (c) The contract clauses required for costreimbursement contracts shall be modified for use under award fee contracts as cited
- (1) The term "base fee and award fee" shall be substituted for "fixed fee" where it appears in the clause at FAR 52.243-2, Changes—Cost Reimbursement.
- (2) The term "base fee" shall be substituted for "fee" where it appears in the clauses at FAR 52.232-20, Limitation of Costs, and FAR 52.232-22, Limitation of Funds.
- (3) The phrase "base fee, if any, and such additional fee as may be awarded as provided for in the Schedule" shall be substituted for the term "fee" whenever it appears in the clause at FAR 52.216–7, Allowable Cost and Payment.

(End of clause)

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2452.216-75 Unpriced task orders.

As prescribed in 2416.506-70(a), insert the following clause:

UNPRICED TASK ORDERS (FEB 2006)

(a) Prior to the issuance of a task order under this contract, it is anticipated that the government and the contractor will reach agreement on the price or total cost and fee (if applicable) for the services to be provided under the order. The Contracting Officer may authorize commencement of work prior to final agreement on cost or price. In such case, the contractor shall immediately commence performance of the services specified in the order and shall submit a pricing proposal within 15 days of receipt of the task order. Upon completion of negotiations, the final negotiated cost or price will be set forth in a supplemental agreement that is executed by the contractor and the Contracting Officer. Failure to agree upon the cost or price shall be considered a dispute subject to the Disputes clause of this contract.

(b) Unpriced task orders shall indicate a "not-to-exceed" amount for the order; however, such amount shall not exceed 50 percent of the estimated cost of the task order. The task order shall only require the Contracting Officer's signature, but shall also comply with all other task order requirements. Unpriced task orders shall indicate the date by which the government anticipates that the cost or price of the order will be definitized.

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2439, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.216-76 Minimum and maximum quantities and amounts for order.

As prescribed in 2416.506-70(b), insert the following clause:

MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM QUANTITIES AND AMOUNTS FOR ORDER (FEB 2006)

The minimum quantity and/or amount to be ordered under this contract shall not be less than the minimum quantity and/or amount shown in the following table. The maximum quantity and/or amount to be ordered under this contract shall not exceed the maximum quantity and/or amount shown in the table.

BASE PERIOD

Minimum	Minimum	Maximum quantity	Maximum
quantity	amount		amount
	\$		\$

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OPTION PERIOD

Minimum	Minimum	Maximum quantity	Maximum
quantity	amount		amount
	\$		\$

Continue for additional option periods.

(End of clause)

Alternate I (FEB 2006). As prescribed in 2416.506–70(b), add the following paragraph:

The government is not obligated to order any specific minimum number of hours from any labor category or combination of categories, nor is the government limited, beyond the maximums set forth herein, to ordering any maximum number of hours from any labor category or combination of categories.

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2439, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.216-77 Estimated quantities—requirements contract.

As prescribed in 2416.506-70(c), insert the following provision:

ESTIMATED QUANTITIES—REQUIREMENTS CONTRACT (FEB 2006)

In accordance with FAR 52.216-21(a), the government provides the following estimates:

The estimated quantity or amount of supplies or services the government may order during the ordering period of this contract is

[insert description of item(s) or unit(s) and the estimated number of units or the dollar value].

The maximum quantity or amount of supplies or services the government may order during the ordering period of this contract is

______[insert description of item(s) or unit(s) and the estimated number of units or the dollar value].

(End of provision)

[71 FR 2439, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.216-78 Ordering procedures.

As prescribed in 2416.506-70(d), insert the following provision:

ORDERING PROCEDURES (FEB 2006)

(a) Orders issued under this contract may be placed in writing or via [Contracting Officer to insert authorized ordering methods, e.g., telephone, facsimile (fax) machine, electronic mail (e-mail)].

(End of clause)

Alternate I (FEB 2006). As prescribed in 2416.506-70(d), add paragraph (b):

(b) In addition to the Contracting Officer, the following individuals are authorized to issue orders under this contract:

[Continue as necessary]

(End of clause)

Alternate II (FEB 2006). As prescribed in 2416.506-70(d), add paragraph (b):

- (b) This contract provides for the issuance of task orders on a negotiated basis as follows:
- (1) The Contracting Officer will provide the contractor(s) with a statement of work or task description. The contractor(s) shall provide pricing and other information requested by the Contracting Officer (e.g., proposed staffing, plan for completing the task, etc.) within the time period specified by the Contracting Officer. Failure by any contractor to provide all the requested information on time may result in the contractor not being considered or selected for issuance of the order.
- (2) The Contracting Officer may require the contractor(s) to present and/or discuss (see (3) below) the proposed task order terms orally. The Contracting Officer will provide the contractor(s) with guidance on the format, location, and duration of any presentations.
- (3) The Contracting Officer may discuss the proposed task order terms with the contractor(s) to ensure mutual understanding of the contractor(s)'s technical approach and/or costs or price and/or to reach mutually acceptable final terms for the task order. If more than one contractor is being considered for the task order, any discussions will be held individually with each contractor.
- (4) The task order shall be executed by the contractor and the Contracting Officer.

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2439, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.219-70 Small business subcontracting plan compliance.

As prescribed in 2419.708(d), insert the following provision:

SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLAN COMPLIANCE (FEB 2006)

- (a) This provision is not applicable to small business concerns.
- (b) Offerors' attention is directed to the provisions in this solicitation at FAR 52.219-

- 8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns, and the clause at FAR 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan.
- (c) The government will consider offerors' prior compliance with subcontracting plans in determining their responsibility (see FAR 9.104-3). Therefore, offerors having previous contracts with subcontracting plans shall provide the following information: agency name; agency point of contact; contract number; total contract value; a synopsis of the work required under the contract; the role(s) of the subcontractor(s) involved; and the applicable goals and actual performance (dollars and percentages) for subcontracting with the types of small business concerns listed in the clause at FAR 52.219-9. This information shall be provided for the three most recently completed contracts with such subcontracting plans.

(End of provision)

[71 FR 2439, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.222-70 Accessibility of meetings, conferences, and seminars to persons with disabilities.

As prescribed in 2422.1408(c), insert the following clause in all solicitations and contracts:

ACCESSIBILITY OF MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, AND SEMINARS TO PERSONS WITH DISABIL-ITIES (FEB 2006)

The contractor shall assure that any meeting, conference, or seminar held pursuant to the contract meets all applicable standards for accessibility to persons with disabilities pursuant to section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), and any implementing regulations of the Department. The contractor shall be responsible for ascertaining the specific accessibility needs (e.g., sign language interpreters) for each meeting, conference, or seminar in light of the known or anticipated attendees.

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2440, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.232-70 Payment schedule and invoice submission (fixed-price).

As prescribed in 2432.908(c)(1), insert a clause substantially the same as the following in all fixed-price solicitations and contracts:

PAYMENT SCHEDULE AND INVOICE SUBMISSION (FIXED-PRICE) (FEB 2006)

(a) Payment schedule. Payment of the contract price (see Section B of the contract)

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will be made upon completion and acceptance of all work unless a partial payment

schedule is included below [Contracting Officer insert schedule information]:

Partial payment No.	Applicable contract deliverable	Delivery date	Payment amount
1.[]			
2. []			
3.[]			

(Continue as necessary)

(b) Submission of invoices. (1) Invoices shall be submitted as follows: original to the payment office identified on the award document (e.g., in Block 12 on the SF-26 or Block 25 on the SF-33, or elsewhere in the contract) with a copy to the Government Technical Representative (GTR) [if the Contracting Officer determines that one copy must be submitted to the contracting office, add, "and a copy to the Contracting Officer"]. To constitute a proper invoice, the invoice must include all items required by FAR clause 52.232-25, Prompt Payment.

(2) To assist the government in making timely payments, the contractor is also requested to include on each invoice the appropriation number shown on the contract award document (e.g., in Block 14 on the SF-26 or Block 21 on the SF-33). The contractor is also requested to clearly indicate on the mailing envelope that an invoice is enclosed.

(c) Contractor remittance information. The contractor shall provide the payment office with all information required by other payment clauses or other supplemental information (e.g., contracts for commercial services) contained in this contract.

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2440, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.232-71 Voucher submission (cost-reimbursement).

As prescribed in 2432.908(c)(2), insert a clause substantially the same as the following in all cost-reimbursement solicitations and contracts:

VOUCHER SUBMISSION (COST-REIMBURSEMENT) (FEB 2006)

contractor submit. (a)(1)The shall [Contracting Officer insert billing period], an original and two copies of each voucher. In addition to the items required by the clause at FAR 52.232-25, Prompt Payment, the voucher shall show the elements of cost for the billing period and the cumulative costs to date. All youchers shall be distributed as follows, except for the final voucher, which shall be submitted in all copies to the Contracting Officer: original to the payment office, and one copy each to the Government Technical Representative (GTR) and the

Contracting Officer identified in the contract.

(2) To assist the government in making timely payments, the contractor is requested to include on each voucher the applicable appropriation number(s) shown on the award or subsequent modification document (e.g., Block 14 of the SF-26 or Block 21 of the SF-33). The contractor is also requested to clearly indicate on the mailing envelope that a payment voucher is enclosed.

(b) Contractor Remittance Information. The contractor shall provide the payment office with all information required by other payment clauses contained in this contract.

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2440, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.233-70 Review of contracting officer protest decisions.

As prescribed in 2433.106, insert the following provision:

REVIEW OF CONTRACTING OFFICER PROTEST DECISIONS (FEB 2006)

(a) In accordance with FAR 33.103 and HUDAR 2433.103, a protester may request an appeal of the Contracting Officer's decision concerning a protest initially made by the protester to the Contracting Officer. The protestor must submit a written request for an appeal to [insert name of HCA and address] not later than 10 days after the protestor's receipt of the Contracting Officer's decision (see FAR 33.101 for the definition of "days").

(b) The HCA shall make an independent review of the Contracting Officer's decision and provide the protester with the HCA's decision on the appeal.

(End of provision)

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2452.237-70 Key personnel.

As prescribed in 2437.110(a), insert the following clause in solicitations and contracts when it is necessary for contract performance to identify the contractor's key personnel:

KEY PERSONNEL (FEB 2006)

- (a) Definition. "Personnel" means employees of the contractor, or any subcontractor(s), affiliates, joint venture partners, or team members, and consultants engaged by any of those entities.
- (b) The personnel specified below are considered to be essential to the work being performed under this contract. Prior to diverting any of the specified individuals to other projects, the contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer reasonably in advance and shall submit justification (including proposed substitutions) in sufficient detail to permit evaluation of the impact on the program. No diversion shall be made by the contractor without the written consent of the Contracting Officer. Key personnel shall perform as follows: [List Key Personnel and/or positions, and tasks, percentage of effort, number of hours, etc., for which they are responsible, as applicable.]

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2440, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.237-72 Coordination of data collection activities.

As prescribed in 2437.110(c), insert the following clause in solicitations and contracts where the Contractor is required to collect identical information from ten or more public respondents.

COORDINATION OF DATA COLLECTION ACTIVITIES (APR 1984)

If it is established at award or subsequently becomes a contractual requirement to collect identical information from ten or more public respondents, the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520) applies. In that event, the Contractor shall not take any action to solicit information from any of the public respondents until notified in writing by the Contracting Officer that the required Office of Management and Budget (OMB) final clearance was received.

(End of clause)

2452.237-73 Conduct of Work and Technical Guidance.

As prescribed in 2437.110(d), insert the following clause in all contracts for services:

CONDUCT OF WORK AND TECHNICAL GUIDANCE (FEB 2006)

(a) The Government Technical Representative (GTR) for liaison with the contractor as to the conduct of work is [to be inserted at time of award] or a successor designated by the Contracting Officer. The Contracting Officer.

ficer will notify the contractor in writing of any change to the current GTR's status or the designation of a successor GTR.

- (b) The GTR will provide guidance to the contractor on the technical performance of the contract. Such guidance shall not be of a nature which:
- (1) Causes the contractor to perform work outside the statement of work or specifications of the contract:
- (2) Constitutes a change as defined in FAR 52.243-1;
- (3) Causes an increase or decrease in the cost of the contract;
- (4) Alters the period of performance or delivery dates; or
- (5) Changes any of the other express terms or conditions of the contract.
- (c) The GTR will issue technical guidance in writing or, if issued orally, he/she will confirm such direction in writing within five calendar days after oral issuance. The GTR may issue such guidance via telephone, facsimile (fax), or electronic mail.
- (d) Certain of the GTR's duties and responsibilities may be delegated to one or more Government Technical Monitors (GTMs) (see HUDAR subpart 2402.1). The Contracting Officer will notify the contractor in writing of the appointment of any GTMs.
- (e) Other specific limitations [to be inserted by Contracting Officer]:
- (f) The contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer whenever the contractor believes that guidance provided by any government personnel, whether or not specifically provided pursuant to this clause, is of a nature described in paragraph (b) above.

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2441, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.237-75 Clearance of contractor personnel.

As prescribed in 2437.110(e), insert the following clause in solicitations and contracts.

CLEARANCE OF CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL (OCT 1999)

- (a) General. This contract requires contractor employees to work in, and have access to, a HUD facility. All such employees shall be required to provide background information and obtain a HUD building pass prior to working in the HUD facility.
- (b) Background information. (1) For each contractor employee subject to the requirements of this clause, the contractor shall complete and deliver to the Government Technical Representative (GTR) the following forms: Form FD-258, "Fingerprinting Charts" (original and one copy); and GSA Form 176, "Statement of Personal History"

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(original and one copy). The GTR will provide the contractor with blank forms upon request.

- (2) The contractor shall deliver the forms required by paragraph (b)(1) to the GTR within five (5) calendar days after contract award or not later than five (5) calendar days before a covered employee will begin work at the HUD facility.
- (3) The information provided in accordance with paragraph (b)(1) will be used to perform a background check to determine the eligibility of the contractor employees to work in the HUD facility. After completion of such review, the GTR shall notify the contractor in writing of any contractor employees' ineligibility to work in the HUD facility. The contractor shall immediately remove such employees from work on this contract which requires the employees' physical presence in the HUD facility.
- (c) Building passes. (1) HUD will issue a building pass to each contractor employee determined to be eligible pursuant to the background check in paragraph (b). The Contractor shall provide the GTR with the names and Social Security numbers of all such employees. Contractor employees shall have their building passes on their persons at all times while working on HUD premises and shall present passes for inspection upon request by HUD officials or HUD security personnel.
- (2) Building passes shall identify individuals as contractor employees and shall have an expiration date not exceeding the current term of the contract. Passes shall be renewed for each succeeding contract period, if any.
- (3) The contractor shall return a contractor employee's pass to the GTR when the employment of any such employee is terminated, or when the employee no longer has a need for access to the HUD facility. Upon expiration of this contract, the contractor shall return to the GTR all building passes issued by HUD and not previously returned. The contractor is responsible for accounting for all passes issued to the contractor's employees.
- (d) Control of access. HUD shall have and exercise full and complete control over granting, denying, withholding, and terminating access of contractor employees to HUD facilities. The GTR will notify the contractor immediately when HUD has determined that an employee is unsuitable or unfit for his/her assigned contractual duties, and therefore will no longer be permitted access to the HUD facility. The contractor shall take immediate steps to remove such an employee from working on this contract and provide a suitable replacement.
- (e) Subcontracts. The contractor shall incorporate this clause in all subcontracts where the requirements specified in paragraph (a) of this section are applicable to performance of the subcontract.

(End of clause)

[64 FR 46099, Aug. 23, 1999]

2452.237-77 Observance of legal holidays and administrative leave.

As prescribed in 2437.110(e), insert the following clause:

OBSERVANCE OF LEGAL HOLIDAYS AND CLOSURE OF HUD FACILITIES (FEB 2006)

New Year's Day Martin Luther King's Birthday Washington's Birthday Memorial Day Independence Day Labor Day Columbus Day Veterans Day Thanksgiving Day Christmas Day

Any other day designated by Federal law, Executive Order, or Presidential Proclamation.

- (2) When any holiday specified in (a)(1) falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be observed. When any such holiday falls on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed. Observances of such days by Government personnel shall not be cause for additional period of performance or entitlement to compensation except as set forth in the contract. If the contractor's personnel work on a holiday, no form of holiday or other premium compensation will be reimbursed either as a direct or indirect cost, unless authorized pursuant to an overtime clause elsewhere in this contract.
- (b)(1) HUD may close a HUD facility for all or a portion of a business day as a result of—
- (A) Granting administrative leave to nonessential HUD employees (e.g., unanticipated holiday);
 - (B) Inclement weather;
- (C) Failure of Congress to appropriate operational funds;
 - (D) Or any other reason.
- (2) In such cases, contractor personnel not classified as essential, i.e., not performing critical round-the-clock services or tasks, who are not already on duty at the facility shall not report to the facility. Such contractor personnel already present shall be dismissed and shall leave the facility.
- (3) The contractor agrees to continue to provide sufficient personnel to perform round-the-clock requirements of critical tasks already in operation or scheduled for performance during the period in which HUD employees are dismissed, and shall be guided by any specific instructions of the Contracting Officer or his/her duly authorized representative.
- (c) When contractor personnel services are not required or provided due to closure of a

HUD facility as described in this clause, the contractor shall be compensated as follows—

- (1) For fixed-price contracts, deductions in the contractor's price will be computed as follows—
- (A) The deduction rate in dollars per day will be equal to the per month contract price divided by 21 days per month.
- (B) The deduction rate in dollars per day will be multiplied by the number of days services are not required or provided.
- If services are provided for portions of days, appropriate adjustment will be made by the Contracting Officer to ensure that the contractor is compensated for services provided.
- (2) For cost-reimbursement, time-and-materials and labor-hour type contracts, HUD shall not reimburse as direct costs, the costs of salaries or wages of contractor personnel for the period during which such personnel are dismissed from, or do not have access to, the facility.

(End of clause)

[64 FR 46100, Aug. 23, 1999, as amended at 71 FR 2441, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.239-70 Background investigations for sensitive automated systems/applications.

As prescribed in 2439.107(a), insert the following clause:

BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS FOR SENSITIVE AUTOMATED SYSTEMS/APPLICATIONS (OCT 1000)

- (a) General. This contract involves work on, or access to, [insert name or other identifierl, a HUD information resource that is either a major application system or any general support system. A major application system is a mission critical system, a system or information resource which has high investment cost, or any system which contains Privacy Act-covered data. A general support system is any computer facility or major component thereof, or any network or telecommunications resource. All contractor employees working on this contract in positions which HUD has determined to have sensitive access to the information resource(s) identified above are required to have a background investigation. The investigation shall be commensurate with the risk and security controls involved in managing, using or operating the resources identified above, consistent with 5 CFR part 731. HUD may bar contractor employees from working on this contract for failing to meet or maintain the applicable suitability standards administered by the Department's Personnel Security Branch.
- (b) Citizenship-related requirements. All contractor employees as described in paragraph

- (a) shall: (1) be United States (U.S.) citizens living in the U.S.; or (2) owe allegiance to the U.S.
- (c) Background investigation process. (1) The GTR shall notify the contractor of those contractor employee positions requiring background investigations. For each contractor employee in such a position, the contractor shall submit the following completed forms: Standard Form (SF) 85P, Questionnaire for Public Trust Positions; FD-258, Fingerprint Chart; Fair Credit Reporting Act authorization form; and other information as may be necessary. The contractor shall submit an original and one copy of the SF 85P.
- (2) The contractor shall deliver the forms and information required in paragraph (c)(1) to the GTR as soon as practicable once the contractor knows that the employee will be assigned to this contract, and no later than seven (7) calendar days after the employee begins work on this contract.
- (3) The investigation process shall consist of a range of personal background inquiries and contacts (written and personal) and verification of the information provided on the security forms described in paragraph (c)(1).
- (4) Upon completion of the investigation process, the GTR shall notify the contractor in writing of any contractor employees' ineligibility to work on this contract. The contractor shall immediately remove such employees from work on this contract.
- (5) The contractor shall notify the GTR in writing whenever a contractor employee for whom a background investigation package was required and submitted to HUD terminates employment or otherwise is no longer performing work under this contract. The contractor shall provide a copy of the written notice to the Contracting Officer.
- (d) Security breach notification. The contractor shall immediately notify the GTR and the Contracting Officer of any breach or suspected breach of security or any unauthorized disclosure of the information contained in the automated system specified in this contract.
- (e) Nondisclosure of information. (1) Neither the contractor nor any of its employees shall divulge or release data or information developed or obtained during performance of this contract, except to authorized Government personnel with an established need to know or upon written approval of the Contracting Officer. Information contained in all source documents and other media provided by HUD are the sole property of HUD.
- (2) The contractor shall require that any employees who may have access to the automated systems identified in paragraph (a) sign a pledge of nondisclosure of information. These pledges shall be signed by the employees before they are permitted to perform work under this contract. The contractor shall maintain the signed pledges for

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a period of three years after final payment under this contract.

- (f) Security procedures. The contractor shall establish personnel security procedures that meet, as a minimum, the requirements of HUD Handbook 2400.24. The contractor shall provide a copy of such procedures and any revisions made to them during the period of the contract to the GTR.
- (g) Contractor compliance. Failure on the part of the contractor to comply with the terms of this clause may result in termination of this contract for default.
- (h) Other clearance requirements. When any work performed by contractor personnel onsite in a HUD facility meets the criteria set forth in HUDAR 2437.110(e), the contractor shall also comply with the requirements of the clause at 48 CFR 2452.237-75, Clearance of Contractor Personnel.
- (i) Subcontracts. The contractor shall incorporate this clause in all subcontracts where the requirements specified in paragraph (a) of this section are applicable to performance of the subcontract.

(End of clause)

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2452.239-71 Information Technology Virus Security.

As prescribed in 2439.107(b), insert the following clause:

Information Technology Virus Security (FEB 2006)

- (a) The contractor hereby agrees to make every reasonable effort to deliver information technology products to HUD free of known computer viruses. The contractor shall be responsible for examining all such products prior to their delivery to HUD using software tools and processes capable of detecting all known viruses.
- (b) The contractor shall include the following statement on deliveries of hardware, software, and data products, including diskettes, made under this contract:

[product description, part/catalog number, other identifier, and serial number, if any]

"This product has been scanned for known viruses using [name of virus-screening product, including version number, if any] and is certified to be free of known viruses at the time of delivery."

- (c) The Contracting Officer may assess monetary damages against the contractor sufficient to compensate HUD for actual or estimated costs resulting from computer virus damage or malicious destruction of computer information arising from the contractor's failure to take adequate precautions to preclude delivery of virus-containing products in the delivery of hardware, software, or data on diskettes under this contract.
- (d) This clause shall not limit the rights of the government under any other clause of this contract.

(End of clause)

[65 FR 3577, Jan. 21, 2000, as amended at 71 FR 2441, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.242-70 Indirect costs.

As prescribed in 2442.705–70, insert the following clause in cost-reimbursement type solicitations and contracts when it is determined that the Contractor will be compensated for negotiated or provisional indirect cost rates pending establishment of final indirect cost rates.

Indirect Costs (APR 1984)

(a) Pursuant to the provisions of the clause of this contract entitled, "Allowable Cost and Payment" the rates listed below are established. If the column entitled, "Ceiling Rate" has rates listed, the ceiling applies for those rates only. If there are no ceiling rates listed, ceilings do not apply to this contract and the provisions of paragraph (b) of this clause are not applicable.

Period Category Provisional rate Ceiling rate Base

Effective date until amended:

⁽b) For the term of this contract, the final indirect rates shall not exceed the ceiling rates listed above, if any. However, in the event the indirect rates developed by the cognizant audit activity on the basis of actual allowable costs are less than the ceiling rates agreed to herein, then the rates established by such cognizant audits shall apply (downward adjustment only). The Government shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts on indirect rates above the ceiling rates set forth for the applicable period

(End of clause)

2452.242-71 Contract management system.

As prescribed in 2442.1107, insert the following clause:

CONTRACT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (FEB 2006)

- (a) The contractor shall use contract management baseline planning and progress reporting as described herein.
- (b) The contract management system shall consist of two parts:
- (1) Baseline plan. The baseline plan shall consist of:
 - (i) A narrative portion that:
- (A) Identifies each task and significant activity required for completing the contract work, critical path activities, task dependencies, task milestones, and related deliverables;
- (B) Describes the contract schedule, including the period of time needed to accomplish each task and activity (see paragraph (ii)(B) of this section below);
- (C) Describes staff (e.g., hours per individual), financial, and other resources allocated to each task and significant activity;
- (D) Provides the rationale for contract work organization and resource allocation.
- (ii) A graphic portion showing:
- (A) Cumulative planned or budgeted costs of work scheduled for each reporting period over the life of the contract (i.e., the budgeted baseline); and
- (B) The planned start and completion dates of all planned and budgeted tasks and activities
- (2) Progress reports. Progress reports shall consist of:
- (i) A narrative portion that:
- (A) Provides a brief, concise summary of technical progress made and the costs incurred for each task during the reporting period; and
- (B) Identifies problems, or potential problems, that will affect the contract's cost or schedule, the causes of the problems, and the contractor's proposed corrective actions.
 - (ii) A graphic portion showing:
- (A) The original time-phased, budgeted baseline.
- (B) The schedule status and degree of completion of the tasks, activities, and deliverables shown in the baseline plan for the reporting period, including actual start and completion dates for all tasks and activities in the baseline plan; and
- (C) The costs incurred during the reporting period, the current total amount of costs incurred through the end date of the reporting period for budgeted work, and the projected costs required to complete the work under the contract.

- (3) Reporting frequency. The reports described in (b)(2) shall be submitted [insert period, e.g., monthly, quarterly, or schedule based on when payments will be made under the contract!
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 (c) The formats, forms, and/or software to be used for the contract management system under this contract shall be [Contracting Officer insert appropriate language "as prescribed in the schedule;" "a format, forms and/or software designated by the GTR;" or, "the contractor's own format, forms and/or software, subject to the approval of the GTR."].
- (d) When this clause applies to individual task orders under the contract, the word "contract" shall mean "task order."

(End of clause)

Alternate I (FEB 2006). As prescribed in 2442.1107, replace paragraph (b) with the following:

- (b) The contract management system shall consist of two parts:
- (1) Baseline plan. The baseline plan shall consist of:
- (i) A narrative portion that:
- (A) Identifies each task and significant activity required for completing the contract work, critical path activities, task dependencies, task milestones, and related deliverables:
- (B) Describes the contract work schedule, including the period of time needed to accomplish each task and activity (see paragraph (ii) of this section below);
- (C) Describes key personnel allocated to each task and significant activity; and,
- (D) Provides the rationale for contract work organization.
- (ii) A graphic portion showing the planned start and completion dates of all planned tasks and activities.
- (2) Progress reports. Progress reports shall consist of:
- (i) A narrative portion that:
- (A) Provides a brief, concise summary of technical progress made for each task during the reporting period; and
- (B) Identifies problems, or potential problems, that will affect the contract's cost or schedule, their causes, and the contractor's proposed corrective actions.
- (ii) A graphic portion showing the schedule status and degree of completion of the tasks, activities, and deliverables shown in the baseline plan for the reporting period, including actual start and completion dates for all tasks and activities in the baseline plan.
- (3) Reporting frequency. The reports described in (b)(2) shall be submitted [insert period, e.g., monthly, quarterly, or schedule].

(End of clause)

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2452.246-70 Inspection and acceptance

As prescribed in 2446.502–70, insert the following clause in all solicitations and contracts:

INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE (FEB 2006)

Inspection and acceptance of all work required under this contract shall be performed by the Government Technical Representative (GTR) or other individual as designated by the Contracting Officer or the GTR.

(End of clause)

[71 FR 2441, Jan. 13, 2006]

2452.251-70 Contractor employee travel.

As prescribed in 2451.7001, insert the following clause in all cost-reimbursement solicitations and contracts involving travel:

CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE TRAVEL (OCT 1999)

(a) To the maximum extent practical, the Contractor shall make use of travel discounts which are available to Federal employees while traveling in the conduct of official Government business. Such discounts may include, but are not limited to, lodging and rental car rates.

(b) The Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining and/or providing to his/her employees written evidence of their status with regard to their performance of Government contract work needed to obtain such discounts.

(End of clause)

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This part prescribes Agency forms for use in acquisition and contains requirements and information generally applicable to the forms.

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2453.217 Special contracting methods.

2453.217-70 Form HUD-730, Award/ Modification of Interagency Agreement.

As prescribed in 2417.504(b), form HUD-730 shall be used by Contracting Officers when placing or modifying an order for supplies or services from another Government agency.

2453.227 Patents, data, and copyrights.

2453.227-70 Form HUD-770, Report of Inventions and Subcontracts.

As prescribed in 2427.305–2, form HUD-770 shall be completed by the Contractor, and submitted to the Contracting Officer, if requested, upon completion of the contract.

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